GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation - Disciplinary Proceedings instituted under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Inquiry conducted - Penalty of withholding 20% pension permanently - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.III-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.642 **Dated.20.08.2024**

Read the following:-

1. From the CDMA, AP, Hyd Lr.Roc.No.10709/2010/C2, dt.02.08.2010 & 01.11.2010.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1510 MA & UD (Vig.II-2)Dept., dt.31.12.2010.
3. WSD of Sri Charless Umapathi, former MC (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation, dt.02.06.2011.
4. G.O.Rt.No.1666, MA & UD (Vig.II-2)Dept., dt. 21.12.2011.
5. From the Inquiring Authority, Lr.RoC.No. 72/2012/A3, dt.11.04.2012.
6. Govt. Memo No.15193/Vig.II-2/2010-13, dt.31.05.2012.
7. Served Copy of Sri Charless Umapathi, former MC (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation, dt.25.11.2012.
8. Govt. Memo No.15193/Vig.II-2/2010, dt.14.03.2016.
9. Written representation of Sri Charless Umapathi, dt.20.02.2024.

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ORDER:

Based on the report of Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Hyderabad in the reference 1st read above, orders have been issued instituting the disciplinary proceedings against Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation by framing the following article of charges under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 for committing irregularities in Special Nutrition Food Programme in the Corporation vide reference 2nd read above:-

Charge No.1:

That he passed bill for Rs.16,800/- from Special Nutrition Fund in the name of Sri M. Venkateswara Reddy, who is an un-authorized person as transport contractor.

Charge No.2:

That he entertained Sri M. Venkateswara Reddy, as a transport contractor for Special Nutrition Food, which lead later for diversion of 7790 bags of Nutrition food worth Rs.22,20,150/- to open market.

Charge No.3:

That on account of the above mentioned omissions and commissions, he has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion and dedication of duty and also exhibited his carelessness and negligence attitude and indulgence in the activities which are unbecoming of an employee of an institution, thereby contravened Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the charged officer submitted his written statement of defense duly requesting to drop further action in the matter. Having not

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convinced with the explanations of all charged officers, Government appointed an Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the all charged officers, vide reference 4th read above.

3. In the reference 5th read above, the Inquiry Officer submitted inquiry report duly stating that out of (3) charges, (1) charge held proved and (1) charge partly held proved against Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation. While accepting findings of IA, has communicated the copy of the inquiry report to above charged officer vide reference 6th read above to offer his written representation in terms of Rule 21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

4. In the reference 7th read above, a served copy of the charged officer only received and he has not submitted any written representation on the findings of IA even after lapse of stipulated time. After considering the matter, a show cause notice has been issued against Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation as to why the penalty of 20% pension cut permanently shall not be imposed against him under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 vide reference 8th read above.

5. After lapse of 8 years, in reply to the above show cause notice, the charged officer has submitted his written representation on the findings of IA duly narrating entire issue and requesting to drop further action against him. As seen from the written representation of the above charged officer, it is noticed that his explanation is not convincing. Accordingly, it is decided to confirm the above proposed penalty against him.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter; keeping in view of the findings of Inquiring Authority and records made available with Government, hereby impose a penalty of withholding of 20% cut in pension permanently against Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation, in terms of Rule-9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980, as he had entertained un-authorized transport contractor in Special Nutrition food programme and passed bill for Rs.16,800/- in his name from said programme and failed to discharge his duties in conformity with rules.

7. The Director of Municipal Administration, AP Vaddeswaram shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL KUMAR SINGHAL
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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Sri Charless Umapathi, former Municipal Commissioner (Retd), Nellore Municipal Corporation **through** the DMA, AP, Vaddeswaram.
The Director of Municipal Administration, AP, Vaddeswaram.

Copy to:

The MA&UD (A) Department.
The Commissioner, Nellore Municipal Corporation.
The PS to M (MA & UD).
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